CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and Expenses", \$180,000,000, of which \$80,000,000 is for border patrol vehicle replacement and \$100,000,000 is for sensor and surveillance technology: Provided, That none of the additional appropriations made available under this heading may be obligated until the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives receive and approve a plan for expenditure of these funds: Provided further, That the entire amount is designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 402 of H. Con. Res. 95 (109th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006.

## AIR AND MARINE INTERDICTION, OPERATIONS, MAINTENANCE. AND PROCUREMENT

For an additional amount for "Air and Marine Interdiction, Operations, Maintenance, and Procurement" to replace air assets and upgrade air operations facilities, \$790,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which \$40,000,000 is for helicopter replacement and \$750,000,000 is for recapitalization of air assets: Provided, That none of the additional appropriations made available under this heading may be obligated until the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives receive and approve an expenditure plan for the complete recapitalization of Customs and Border Protection air assets and facilities: Provided further. That the entire amount is designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 402 of H. Con. Res. 95 (109th Congress). the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006.

#### CONSTRUCTION

For an additional amount for "Construction", \$120,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That none of the additional appropriations made available under this heading may be obligated until the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives receive and appropriate approve a plan for expenditure for these funds: Provided further, That the entire amount is designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 402 of H. Con. Res. 95 (109th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006.

## IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Salaries and Expenses" to replace vehicles, \$80,000,000: Provided, That the entire amount is designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 402 of H. Con. Res. 95 (109th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006.

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS

For an additional amount for "Acquisition, Construction, and Improvements" for acquisition, construction, renovation, and improvement of vessels, aircraft, and equipment, \$600,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the entire amount is designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 402 of H. Con. Res. 95 (109th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006.

# FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER

ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, IMPROVEMENTS,
AND RELATED EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Acquisition, Construction, Improvements, and Related Expenses" for construction of the language training facility referenced in the Master Plan and information technology infrastruc-

ture improvements, \$18,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the entire amount is designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 402 of H. Con. Res. 95 (109th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006.

SA 3605. Mr. LOTT submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 193, line 25, insert after "Provided," the following: "That the Navy, acting through the Naval Facilities Engineering Command, shall be the agent for all matters with regard to the planning, design, construction, and contract administration related to the construction of the new Armed Forces Retirement Home: Provided further,".

SA 3606. Mr. SMITH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 172, lines 15 through 17, strike "for necessary expenses" and all that follows through "\$20,000,000" and insert the following: "\$543,081,496, of which \$523,081,496 shall be made available to make safety net payments for fiscal year 2007 under section 101 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-393; 16 U.S.C. 500 note), to remain available until expended, and \$20,000,000 shall be made available for necessary expenses related to the consequences of Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes of the 2005 season".

SA 3607. Mr. COBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 196, strike line 18 and all that follows through page 197, line 16.

**SA 3608.** Mr. COBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 157, strike line 4 and all that follows through page 158, line 17.

SA 3609. Mr. COBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, add the following: Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available in title II, chapter 2 of this Act, for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration under the heading "Operations, Research, and Facilities" may be available for the National Marine Fisheries Service to implement seafood promotion strategies, and the amount made

available under such heading is reduced by \$15,000,000.

SA 3610. Mr. COBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, add the following: Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available in title II, chapter 2 of this Act, for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration under the heading "Operations, Research, and Facilities" may be available for the National Marine Fisheries Service for oyster bed and shrimp ground rehabilition, and the amount made available under such heading is reduced by \$100,000,000.

**SA 3611.** Mr. COBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4939, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, add the following: Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, Sec. 7030(a) of this Act shall not take effect.

### NOTICES OF HEARINGS/MEETINGS

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL} \\ \text{RESOURCES} \end{array}$ 

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will be held on Monday, May 1, 2006 at 2:30 p.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Building.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony regarding the economic and environmental issues associated with coal gasification technology and on implementation of the provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 addressing coal gasification.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, Washington, DC 20510-6150.

For further information, please contact John Peschke 202–224–4797 or Shannon Ewan at 202–224–7555.

## AUTHORITIES FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 25, 2006, at 10 a.m. to conduct a hearing on "A Review of Current Securities Issues."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session on Tuesday, April 25, 2006, at 10:30 a.m., in 215 Dirksen Senate Office Building, to hear testimony on "The Social and Economic Effects of the Methamphetamine Epidemic on America's Child Welfare System".

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on "Immigration: Economic Impacts" on Tuesday, April 25, 2006, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

Panel I: Richard B. Freeman, Professor of Economics, Harvard University, Program Director of Labor Studies, National Bureau of Economic Research, Cambridge, MA; Dan Siciliano, Executive Director, Program in Law, Economics and Business, Stanford Law School, Stanford, CA; Barry R. Chiswick, Professor of Economics, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL; Harry J. Holzer, Professor of Public Policy, Georgetown University, Washington, DC.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on "Judicial Nominations" on Tuesday, April 25, 2006, at 2:15 p.m., in Room 226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

Panel I: The Honorable Frank Lautenberg, United States Senator, D-NJ; The Honorable Robert Menendez, United States Senator, R-NJ; The Honorable Barbara Boxer, United States Senator, D-CA; The Honorable Gordan Smith, United States Senator, R-OR.

Panel II: Milan D. Smith, Jr. to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Panel III: Renee Marie Bumb to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey; Noel Lawrence Hillman to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey; Peter G. Sheridan to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey; and Susan Davis Wigenton to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FEDERAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, GOVERNMENT INFORMATION AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security be authorized to meet on Tuesday, April 25, 2006, at 2:30 p.m., for a field hearing regarding "North Korea: Illicit Activity Funding the Regime."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND SPACE

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Sub-committee on Science and Space be authorized to meet on Tuesday, April 25, 2006, at 2:30 p.m., on NASA.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent Mr. Les Spivey, Mr. B.G. Wright, Ms. Rachel Taylor, and Ms. Mary Catherine Fitzpatrick of the Committee on Appropriations be granted full floor access during the consideration of H.R. 4939, the fiscal year 2006 emergency supplemental appropriations bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I further ask unanimous consent that Mr. Mike Morrissey, Mr. Kevin Templin, and Dr. Leigh Ann Ross of my personal office staff be granted privilege of the floor during consideration of this bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The Senator from Mississippi.

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Michael Pollock and Alison Garfield, detailees with the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee, be granted the privilege of the floor during consideration of the fiscal year 2006 supplemental and the fiscal year 2007 Defense appropriations bills; and that Rose Fabia, a detailee to the Appropriations Committee from the Department of Veterans Affairs, be granted the privilege of the floor for the remainder of the debate on H.R. 4939.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator Kennedy, I ask unanimous consent that a State Department fellow in his office, Richard Driscoll, be granted floor privileges during the consideration of the supplemental appropriations bill, and that Navy detailee Tom Crowley also be granted the same privilege.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator Jeffords, I ask unanimous consent that April Richards, a professional staff member of the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works, be granted floor privileges during the consideration of H.R. 4939.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### APPOINTMENTS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President,

pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276d–276g, as amended, appoints the following Senators as members of the Senate Delegation to the Canada-U.S. Interparliamentary Group during the Second Session of the 109th Congress: the Honorable Patrick J. Leahy of Vermont and the Honorable Daniel K. Akaka of Hawaii.

#### APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, upon the recommendation of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105–292, as amended by Public Law 106–55, and as further amended by Public Law 107–228, appoints the following individual to the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom: Preeta D. Bansal of Nebraska, for a term of two years (May 15, 2006–May 14, 2008).

# FRANCIS R. VALEO, FORMER SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 443, which was submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 443) relative to the death of Francis R. Valeo, former Secretary of the Senate.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 443) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

#### S. RES. 443

Whereas Francis R. (Frank) Valeo served with distinction as chief of the Foreign Affairs Division of the Legislative Reference Service and specialist in the Far East, before beginning his service to the United States Senate in 1952 on the staff of the Committee on Foreign Relations;

Whereas Frank Valeo in 1958 became foreign policy advisor and assistant to the Majority Whip, Senator Mike Mansfield, and then served as Majority Secretary from 1963 to 1966;

Whereas Frank Valeo served as Secretary of the Senate from 1966 to 1977;

Whereas Frank Valeo accompanied many United States Senators on missions to all parts of the globe, assisted the Majority Leader in regularly reporting on conditions in Southeast Asia, and was part of the first congressional delegation to visit the People's Republic of China in 1972;

Whereas Frank Valeo represented the United States Senate on the Federal Election Commission from 1974 to 1977, and in that role participated in the 1976 landmark Supreme Court decision of Buckley v. Valeo;